

**MACON COUNTY**  
**“COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE”**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, August 14, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor/Chairman Steve Jones, Commissioners Jeff Hughes, Helen Hesson, Benton Bartley, Justin Dyer, Scott Gammons, Mike Jenkins, Charles (Chop) Porter, Troy Brawner, Bobby Ray King, Don Stevens, Tony Wix, Phillip Snow, Barry King, Wendell Jones, Mchelle Phillips, Kenneth Witte, Todd Gentry, Kimmy Warf and Shannon Wix

Absent: Chris Wix

Don Stevens gave the Invocation.

Todd Gentry led the Pledge.

Motion #1 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snow to approve minutes as presented from the 7/17/17 Legislative Body Meeting and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #2 by Warf, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Witte to approve Budget Amendments #1 through #4 (#1 Sheriff Department, #2 Solid Waste, #3 EMA, #4 Circuit Court) and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

School Director Tony Boles, reported that the enrollment was 4,078 to date, which was 260 more students than the end of the previous school year. He stated that Kindergarten and Sixth grade had the largest increase and would possibly need another teacher in those grades. Director Boles mentioned that he would present a school plan at the County Commissioner Court meeting in September.

Motion #3 by Hesson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to accept the Comptroller FY 17-18 Budget Approval Letter and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #4 by Warf, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stevens to approve the Codes Enforcement/Impact Fee report and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Motion #5 by Witte, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warf to approve the Animal Control report and defer to the next meeting.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones mentioned that the Animal Control truck had been ordered on state bid. These funds were included in the 2017/2018 budget.

Motion #6 by Hesson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snow to look at the possibility of moving Archives to the top floor of the Valley Ridge Building.

Motion Carried

Motion #7 by Hesson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to set a Solid Waste meeting for August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 P.M. to discuss possible convenience sites.

Motion Carried

Mayor Jones mentioned that the county had received a The Clean Energy Grant for new LED lighting in the Courthouse, Justice Center, EMS Building and Sally Wells Building and a \$15,000 ThreeStar Grant.

Motion #8 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by B. King to accept the Clean Energy Grant for lighting and \$15,000 ThreeStar Grant and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Mayor Jones informed the commissioners that due to health related issues the Veterans Service Officer had asked to be replaced. Sheriff Gammons asked to speak, complimenting Mr. Weston for his assistance with local veterans.

Motion #9 by Hesson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Snow to advertise for the Veterans Service Officer position.  
Motion Carried

Motion #10 by Hughes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons to bring back bids for the EMS ambulance remount to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #11 by Warf, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hesson to defer Commissioner Gammons request to the next meeting when Attorney Holliman is present.  
Motion Carried

Motion #12 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Witte to approve the financial reports (Register of Deeds, Juvenile Court, General Sessions Court, Circuit Court, County Clerk, Trustee, Chancery Court, Sheriff Department, Sex Offender and the Drug Fund) and defer to the next meeting.  
Motion Carried

Motion #13 by Stevens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warf to authorize Mayor Jones to reappoint the Planning/Zoning board position at the next meeting, due to the death of Vernon Biggs.  
Motion Carried

Motion #14 by Snow, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gammons for Mayor Jones to bring back proclamations for Keith Scruggs and Vernon Biggs in September.  
Motion Carried

Mayor Jones mentioned that the E-911's amendment to their budget was on file in the County Clerk and County Mayor's office.

Commissioner Warf wanted to know when the benches would be placed outside under the oak tree. Mayor Jones said that he was working with the Forestry Service to remove the asphalt around the tree without damage. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Hughes, along with the Fair Board members, wanted to "Thank" all that helped make the Macon County Fair a success this year.

Motion #15 by Gammons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Warf to adjourn.  
Motion Carried